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1. [redacted] Mr. Wayne Birdsell, Ward & Paul, called. He said that his company's security procedures were being governed more and more "by Baltimore." He said in accordance with recent instructions, their company is to obtain from departments and agencies for whom classified transcripts may be prepared, lists of the names of people authorized to receive these transcripts. This would include both couriers and professional people. I told Birdsell that I would take this up internally and be in touch with him. (We are discussing this with the Office of Security.)

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2. [redacted] Per his request, sixteen copies of the Soviet economy paper were handcarried to Mr. James Knowles, of the Joint Economic Committee staff, for distribution to the JEC members. Knowles also was given a suggested note to accompany each copy giving the background which led up to the preparation of this paper.

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3. [redacted] Talked with Mr. Mahon and discussed the proposed agenda for Wednesday's meeting. He thought this sounded fine and had no additional suggestions. I also indicated the Director was considering discussing a sensitive source of some of the intelligence (which source Mahon knew about from his CIA Subcommittee briefings). Mr. Mahon queried whether there had ever been official confirmation of this and I indicated there had not. Mr. Mahon was obviously concerned on two counts - (1) if the Director were to brief on this "it would leak within a week" and (2) Mr. Cannon who preferred that the Director not brief the Mahon Subcommittee. In fact Mr. Mahon added that he has not informed Mr. Cannon that the Director will appear before the Mahon Subcommittee. Also discussed timing with Mr. Mahon and this offered no problem. Also mentioned the substance of Russell's view on the Agency budget from Friday's discussions and Mr. Mahon stated this sounded about the way Senator Russell had talked before.

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